

Israel Cole – Eastham Land Records 1650-1745

Israel Cole was born in Eastham in 1653. He was the son of Daniel Cole and his wife Ruth Collier Cole. Israel married Mary Paine Rogers in 1679. They had three children. Israel held several town positions including constable, selectman and grandjuryman. He died in Eastham in 1723. Israel and Mary probably are buried in unmarked graves in Eastham Cove Burying Ground or possibly Orleans Cemetery along with unmarked graves of other members of the Cole and Paine families.

1695

Laid out and possessed by Israel Cole was land of his father Daniel lying at Little Billingsgate. One parcel was six acres of meadow on the southerly side of Herring River opposite the southeast corner of Griffith's Island and next to land of Jonathan Higgins. Another parcel was two acres of upland between Duck Creek and James Neck next to land of Mark Snow. PDF M258.

1703

Israel Cole, Joshua Bangs, Joseph Doane, Samuel Knowles and Samuel Mayo were chosen by the Town to settle boundary disputes. Several such disputes and their resolution are described. PDF A267, S90, S91.

Granted to Israel Cole and his heirs a parcel of meadow at Pochet Flats next to land of William Twining. The dimensions indicate the lot was about five acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF A273, M153, S98.

Granted to Israel Cole and his heirs land at Pochet High Meadow by the beach. The dimensions indicate the lot was about four acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF A277, M162, S86.

1711

Land at Great Island at Billingsgate was divided into twenty-four approximately equal sized lots. The ninth lot was granted to Israel Cole, Deacon Samuel Freeman, Capt. Samuel Freeman, Thomas Mayo and Isaac Young. The lot was about seven acres like the other lots. PDF T87.

1715

Granted to Israel Cole and his heirs a nine acre wood lot on the northerly side of the way that leads to Micaiah Snow's's and next to land of the Ministry. The next wood lot grant was nine acres to Israel Cole Jr. which was next to his father's lot and next to land of the ministry and next to the way towards Benjamin Higgins' house. Bounds of both wood lots were indicated by stones. PDF T205.

Granted to Israel Cole and his heirs a wood lot on the east side of the way to Billingsgate. This was the thirty-first in a series of 156 wood lot grants. The lot ran north seventeen pole and ran east to the Backside Sea. Many of these lots ran east 320 pole (one mile). These dimensions would make the Cole lot about thirty-four acres. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T270.

1716

Israel Cole purchased from the Town for himself and his heirs for two shillings a parcel of meadow next to his other land at Rock Harbor Meadow. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about one-half acre. PDF T308.

1745

Land granted to Israel Cole in 1703 on the Great Flat or Nauset Flat was buried with sand. A replacement parcel was laid out on Nauset Flat next to land of John Smith. The dimensions indicate the replacement parcel was about two and one-half acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF T347.

The land owned by Israel Cole or granted to his heirs described in these records amounts to about sixty acres. By 1745 twenty-five more Coles including his father Daniel received Eastham land grants.